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Ald. Witkowski introduces Winter Wonderland Holiday Light display in the Garden District

Alderman Terry L. Witkowski encourages residents to visit the spectacular **Winter Wonderland** holiday light display in the 13th District – also known as the Garden District – featuring 25,000 donated lights and nearly 100 lighted displays.

The lights can be seen by walking the curved path along 6th Street, walking along Howard to the new path and light tunnel, and returning to the Farmers' Market by that path. Parking is available in the lot at 6th and Norwich and the lights are on for six hours from dusk, daily until January 13.

Last January, the Garden District Neighborhood Association put out a call to collect unwanted Christmas lights and light displays. The Ronald Reagan High School Art Program aided by providing wood cuts depicting Santa, the Heat Miser and the Cold Miser. They also prepared a cardboard cut-out Christmas stocking for picture taking. Volunteers then went about setting up numerous lights and lighted displays from community members.

Alderman Witkowski and Garden District volunteers will be on site **at 5 p.m. TOMORROW** - **Thursday, December 20** at 6th and Norwich. The alderman said he is looking forward to the event and seeing families walking the circular path to enjoy the illuminating attraction that exemplifies the power of neighborhood associations.

"District Thirteen has always been a proud community, but there's an extra special reason why this holiday season," said Alderman Witkowski. "The intent was to reuse the donated lights to make the annual tree lighting brighter, however, the response was so great that the neighborhood association decided to decorate as much of the block as possible!"

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Holiday light display/ADD ONE

"More electric outlets were created as well as a path to establish a circular route for parents to take children on. There was also a flurry of activity that took place in November and early December as grants and sponsorships poured in. We extend our gratitude for everyone coming together and the community improvement grants that made it all possible," he said.

(The grants and donations were matched by a professional service donation from Simon Landscaping creating the path and again Simon assisted in preparation for the electric work as another grant installed it).